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Docket No. 251039US2

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Masami OKAMOTO

SERIAL NO: 10/820,851

FILED: April 9, 2004

FOR: FIXING DEVICE, IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS INCLUDING THE FIXING DEVICE, AND FIXING METHOD

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☒ Additional documents filed herewith: Related Cases Statement, IDS Transmittal Letter

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CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated November 15, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 16 of this paper.